

# News Notes

## Full Meeting/Event Schedule for Libraries in November

***Thompson Library Renovation All-Campus Meetings, Tuesday, November 8, 3:30-5 p.m., and Wednesday, November 9, 9:30-11 a.m., Thompson Library, Room 210:*** Both sessions will include presentations on the features of the building and a review of swing space plans. Members of the design team and the Libraries' staff will be on hand to answer questions.

***What, Where, When and Who: A Renaissance for the Reference Collection, with Michael Buckland, Tuesday, November 15, 10:30 a.m.—noon; An Open Talk with Michael Buckland and Tschera Connell, moderated by Tschera Harkness Connell, 1:30-3 p.m.; Thompson Library, Room 210:***

Prof. Buckland is Professor Emeritus, School of Information Management & Systems, and Co-Director of the Electronic Cultural Atlas Initiative, University of California, Berkeley.

Prof. Buckland worked as a librarian and an academic administrator in England and the US. His writings include *Library Services in Theory and Context*, *Information and Information Systems*, and *Re-designing Library Services*. Tschera Harkness Connell is head of the Scholarly Resources Integration Department of the OSU Libraries, which includes the organizing functions of serials cataloging and metadata provision for various initiatives. Please RSVP for the talk session to Joanna Anderson, [anderson.506@osu.edu](mailto:anderson.506@osu.edu)



***Third Annual Faculty Recognition Program, Wednesday, November 16, 3:30-5 p.m., Faculty Club Grand Lounge, 181 S. Oval Dr.:***

Join OSU President Karen Holbrook, Vice Provost Carole Anderson and Libraries Director Joseph Branin in honoring the 142 faculty members who have been granted tenure and/or promotion for the 2005-06 academic year. Sponsored by University Libraries and the Office of Academic Affairs.

***Opening Reception, The Ivan Gilbert Trade Catalog Collection, Thursday, November 17, 5:30-7 p.m., Thompson Library, Room 210:***

This collection of over 10,000 catalogs, donated by Dr. Gilbert, presents a visual history of American industry, commerce and culture from the mid-19th century to the mid-20th century. The reception marks the opening of a new digital exhibition of the collection. There will be a brief program featuring Professor Mansel Blackford from the OSU Department of History.

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## Slavic/East European Studies Center Library Receives Perfect Score on Title VI Proposal

The university's Center for Slavic and East European Studies received a perfect score on the "Library" section of a Title VI National Resource Centers and Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships application.

Jason Vuic, Assistant Director of the Center, said in a letter dated October 7 that the a review of Thompson Library's Slavic and East European collection in the proposal garnered a perfect score from all three evaluators. Each evaluator rated the library section of the proposal a perfect 15 out of 15.

The evaluation criteria on the strength of the library gave perfect rankings on the "relative strength of the institution's library holdings," "the extent to which the institution provides financial support for library acquisitions and library staff," and

"the extent to which teachers, students, and faculty from other institutions are able to access the library's holdings."

"All three evaluators gave us a perfect score, which certainly is a credit to...Dr. Predrag Metejic and his staff at the Hilandar (Research Library) and to the Main Library as a whole."

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## And the winners are

*There was plenty of creativity on display at the Libraries' annual Halloween costume party, at the Thompson Library on October 27. Judges Joanna Anderson, Jim Smith and Larry Allen awarded prizes to the following participants:*

Most Original Costume—**Christina Morgan**; Funniest Costume—**Michael Grimes**;  
"Gutsiest Costume & Presentation"—**Linda Miller**; Best Skit—**Marsha Hamilton**



**Celeste Feather**, Serials/  
Electronic Resources Department,  
with son Ethan Andrew Murray,  
born October 11. Father Peter  
Murray is with OhioLINK.



# HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

## RESIGNATIONS

Stephen Kennedy, LMTA, Science & Engineering Library, effective 4 November 2005.

## APPOINTMENTS

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL**

Communications Office—Pamela McClung has accepted the position of Graphic Designer (new position), effective 21 November 2005

### **STAFF**

Access Support and Accounting—Darlene Jackson has accepted the position of Office Associate (replacing McIntyre) effective 2 November 2005

## VACANCIES

### **FACULTY**

Cataloging Department—Metadata Librarian—New Position— 1st Listing

Information Technology - Systems Librarian – replacing Tull

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL**

Information Technology Department—Reference Technology Assistant—New Position—1st Listing

### **STAFF**

Biological Sciences/Pharmacy Library – Library Associate 2 – replacing Miller

Theatre Research Institute – Library Associate 1 – replacing Pennington

Science and Engineering Library – Library Associate 2 – replacing DeGray



*In order to comply with University procedures, employees who are applying for listed vacancies must complete a Promotion/Transfer Request (form 8931, Rev 9/97) during the week of the first listing of the vacancy in the University Personnel Posting (green sheet). To ensure awareness of all vacancies which have been posted, applicants should consult the weekly green sheet rather than relying on the listing in NEWS NOTES and are encouraged to attach a resume and/or other supporting documents to the form. Prospective faculty and staff applicants who are absent during the five-day posting period and wish to apply should see Toni Morrison-Smith.*



### **Parks' Memorial**

**Rosa "Lee" Louise Parks** (February 4, 1913 – October 24, 2005) was an African American seamstress and civil rights activist whom the United States Congress called the "Mother of the Modern Day Civil Rights Movement." She is most famous for her refusal in 1955 to give up a bus seat to a white man when ordered to do so by the bus driver, provoking the Montgomery Bus Boycott. Her role in American history earned her an iconic legacy in American culture and worldwide civil rights movements. (From *Wikipedia*)

*Exhibit in the OSU Black Studies Library >*





# People News

## Presentations

**Marilyn Miller**, Scholarly Resources Integration Department, gave a presentation to an audience for the Kalamazoo Art Institute in Kalamazoo, Michigan as part of their ARTbreak program on October 11. The topic was "Von Gerichten Stained Glass Windows" and centered around her research on the stained glass windows that the company produced during the years that they were in existence (1891-1938).

## Publications



**Ted Riedinger**, Professor and Head, Latin America, Spanish, and Portuguese Library Collection, was a contributor to *Envisioning Brazil: A Guide to Brazilian Studies in the United States*, published by the University of Wisconsin Press.

The book is the first comprehensive analysis of the work of American scholars regarding the study of Brazil. It also is the first such

review ever done for a specialized area of Latin American studies. The American scholarship is placed in comparative international context through a chapter on Brazilian studies in Great Britain, by Leslie Bethell at Oxford University; and a chapter on Brazilian studies in France by Riedinger. He has also been named editor-in-chief of the *Encyclopedia of Brazilian History and Culture* (New York and London: Routledge, 2005-2009).

## Honors

Constance J. Britton, head of the Ohio Agricultural Research & Development Center Library, received one of three OARDC Outstanding Staff Awards which recognize non-faculty staff members for outstanding service to customers and colleagues. The award, which includes a plaque and a check, was presented at OARDC's annual Employee Appreciation Night October. 6.

## Passings

**Lewis C. Branscomb**, director of The Ohio State University Libraries from 1952-1971, died at the age of 94 on October 23. According to his obituary in the *Columbus Dispatch*, Branscomb joined the staff of the OSU Libraries in 1948 as associate director and professor, a position he held until assuming the director post. He was on the Advisory Council on the Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) from 1967-1970. In the mid-1960s, working with a group of Ohio college librarians, Branscomb took a leadership position in the definition and founding of the Ohio College Library Center (OCLC). In 1971, he became professor of Thurber Studies at Ohio State, and in 1981 became Professor Emeritus.

## Notes

*Dear Friends,*

*I want to thank you for your kindness and support every time that I use the library services. Your commitment, your joy and your generosity touches my heart. You are always a great helping hand! Many blessings to each of you.*

*Lisandra Pedraza*

*(Editor's note: Lisandra was a foreign graduate student who received her PhD this past summer. Lisandra and her mother stopped by the EHS Library with a plate of fresh fruit to thank the circulation and reference staffs for all their help.)*

## On Display

**Toddlers, Teens & Tweens  
250 Years of Children's Fashion**

Through May 20, 2006  
Historic Costume and Textiles Collection

Geraldine Schottenstein Wing  
Campbell Hall, College of Human Ecology  
1787 Neil Ave.

# The 3rd Taste of the Libraries TAILGATE CHILI CHALLENGE

## OSU SPIRIT DAY

**Friday, November 18, 11:30 a.m.**  
**Thompson Library Staff Lounge**

A chili and hot dog "all you can eat for \$2" tailgate lunch, with all proceeds going to the **Community Charitable Drive**.

## CALL FOR CHILI CHEFS



The first 12 employees to reply to Lila Anderson will be entered to compete for bragging rights and prizes as the best **LIBRARIES TAILGATE CHILI CHEF 2005**. Respond to Lila by **Wednesday, November 16** at [andersen.43@osu.edu](mailto:andersen.43@osu.edu)

### *Service Values of*

#### **The Ohio State University Libraries**

*In addition to supporting the University's Academic Plan, The Ohio State University Libraries commits to the following service values:*

**Learning:** Advocate learning as a primary library principle in all interactions, including support of decision making at all levels and encouragement of professional growth and development.

**Meeting Needs:** Assess needs and provide service and/or needed resources accurately in a timely manner.

**Respectful Interactions:** Exercise a positive attitude, appreciate differences, maintain confidentiality, and provide a supportive atmosphere for inquiry and effective dialogue/communication.

**Stewardship:** Acquire, preserve, and protect human and information resources and maintain physical facilities to enhance the learning environment.

**Creativity:** Take the initiative; be dynamic and innovative in meeting people's needs, being willing to take risks and maintaining the flexibility to adapt to changing circumstances.

**Interdependence:** Collaborate within and among library units, and foster partnerships and outreach to the larger community to ensure/enhance successful operations and accountability.

### **Mission Statement**

*The Ohio State University Libraries is committed to meeting the diverse and changing information needs of the University's students, faculty, and staff, and to participating in resource sharing programs throughout Ohio and the world.*

*The Libraries' facilities, collections, services, instruction, and scholarship contribute to the University's attainment of excellence in teaching, research and service.*

*To these ends, the Libraries collect, create, organize, manage, preserve and provide access to information sources, and foster an environment conducive to academic inquiry, scholarly communication, creative achievement, and lifelong learning.*

*May 5, 1998*



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